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CHAUTAUQUA WEEK

Opens Saturday, August 8,
Closes Friday, Aug. 14

CHAMP CLARK THURS., AUG. 13

Kryl and Band to be Here Wednes-
day, Aug. 13—Excellent Program

Following is the program for the
Redpath Chautauqua course of enter-
tainment opening in Alma Saturday,
August 8, and continuing until Friday
evening, August 14:

FIRST DAY.
Morning, 9:00—Children's hour.
Morning lecture hour.
Afternoon—Concert, Dunbar Male
Quartet. Lecture, Leslie W. Sprague.
Evening—Concert, Dunbar Male
Quartet.

SECOND DAY.
Morning—Children's hour. Morn-
ing lecture hour.
Afternoon—Concert, Rubel and
Roberts. Lecture, Dr. Edward Am-
herst Ott.
Evening—Concert, Rubel and Rob-
erts. Lecture, Frank G. Smith.

THIRD DAY.
Morning—Children's hour. Morn-
ing lecture hour.
Afternoon—Concert, Welch-Christ-
ensen-Baker Co. Lecture, Frank B.
Wendling.
Evening—Concert, Welch, Christen-
sen-Baker Co. Drama, Ben Greet
Players.

FOURTH DAY.
Morning—Children's hour. Morn-
ing lecture hour.
Afternoon—Musical recital, Marcus
Kellerman.
Evening—Grand concert, Westmin-
ster Choir.

FIFTH DAY.
Morning—Children's hour. Morning
lecture hour.
Afternoon—Band concert, Kryl's
band.
Evening—Band concert, Grand Op-
era, Kryl and band and Denton Grand
Opera company.

SIXTH DAY.
Morning—Children's hour. Morning
lecture hour.
Afternoon—Concert, Farinelli Co.
Lecture, Hon. Champ Clark.
Evening—Children's night. Farin-
elli Co. and Merton and Colby.

SEVENTH DAY.
Morning—Children's hour. Morning
lecture hour.
Afternoon—Concert, Kellogg-Haines
party. Lecture, Montaville Flowers.
Evening—Joy night, Kellogg-Haines
party.

The fourth and fifth days constitute
a grand musical festival. The morn-
ing hour lecture will be a series of lec-
tures on popular themes. The Ben
Greet Players will give "The Merchant
of Venice."

REPUBLIC TRUCK.

According to the Los Angeles Even-
ing Herald of June 20 the U. S. gov-
ernment has just purchased five Re-
public trucks for use in that western
state. The trucks were not purchased
until at the end of a severe competi-
tive test in which 20 different auto
trucks were entered and the Republic
made in Alma proved the winner.

For Prosecuting Attorney.

I wish to announce that I will be
a candidate for the office of Prose-
cuting Attorney on the Republican
ticket at the primaries to be held
August 25th, 1914. Your vote and
support will be appreciated.

ROMAINE CLARK.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

Al. Mann Tackled a Crank Last
Sunday—Result, Arm in Sling

Al. Mann is carrying his right arm
in a bandage due to an accident which
happened to him Sunday. Frank
Zumbink and family, of Shepherd,
were guests at Mr. Mann's home, and
when they started to go for a drive
Sunday Mr. Mann volunteered to crank
the machine. He gave the handle a
twist and it immediately kicked him
backward for more than ten feet. The
spark had been left on and forgotten.
The ligaments and muscles of his arm
were severely torn from the bones,
and Dr. Suydam announced that it
would be several weeks before it could
be used at all. Mr. Mann finds it ex-
ceedingly hard work to sign papers
with his left hand.

ALMA STUDENTS NEED WORK.

An Open Letter to Alma Citizens:
I am receiving constantly inquiries
from prospective students about the
possibility of securing work to help
pay their expenses during the next
college year. I have a number of
young women who would like to work
in homes. I have several young wo-
men who are shorthand writers and
would like to do office work for a few
hours a day. I have young men who
would like to do office work, to clerk
in stores, to assist in various ways
about a home or yard,—in fact to do
anything that will help to pay ex-
penses.

Will not every manufacturer, mer-
chant, every professional man, near-
by farmers, and every housewife who
could perhaps make use of a young
man or a young woman next year,
write me, or telephone me, indicating
the kind of help that could be used?
I do not like to encourage young peo-
ple to come unless there is some pros-
pect that they can get the work need-
ed.

If you think it even a possibility
that you could use student help begin-
ning with the middle of September,
will you not let me know at once?
Please do not neglect this.

THOMAS C. BLAISDELL,
President of Alma College.

NEXT YEAR TEACHERS

Complete List of Alma Public School Teachers for 1914-15

The pupils of the Alma public
schools will be interested in the fol-
lowing list of teachers who have been
secured for the school year 1914-15:

High School.
A. F. Schultz, Superintendent.
Rex A. Collins, Principal.
Glenn S. Crisp, Business Depart-
ment.

Grammar School.
Cora Dunlap, Principal.
Margaret H. Winn, 7th and 8th
grades.
Laura B. Soule, 7th and 8th grades.
Bertha M. McClaren, 6th grade.
Winifred G. Trapp, 5th grade.
Frances M. Stitt, 4th grade.
Agnes M. Buckham, 4th grade.

Primary.
Annette McClaren, Principal.
Lillian C. Meisel, 3rd grade.
Margaret A. Meyers, 2nd grade.
Lena C. Johnson, 2nd grade.
Mina Greer, 1st grade.
Delia J. Corey, 1st grade.
Josephine Russell, sub-primary.
Grace L. Kramer, kindergarten.
Bert Wells, janitor high school
building.
Charles Hatch, grammar school
building.
George Hutchinson, primary build-
ing.
Of the new teachers, Miss Welch
is from Marshall, Miss Bittner from
Alma and Miss Coleman, Harbor
Springs.

THOMAS C. BLAISDELL

President of Alma College Mentioned
to Succeed Snyder at M. A. C.

The state press of July 3 contained
a Lansing dispatch which said:
"Thomas C. Blaisdell, president of
Alma, is considered the best bet for
the presidency of the Michigan Agri-
cultural college in place of Jonathan
L. Snyder, who resigned but whose
resignation has not yet been acted on.
"The state board of agriculture is
down for a meeting on July 15 and it
is expected that something will be
done at that time. Prof. Blaisdell's
name has been heard in connection
with the position ever since President
Snyder resigned."

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY.

I hereby announce my candidacy on
the Republican ticket for the nomi-
nation for Prosecuting Attorney for
Grafton County. The support of the Re-
publican voters at the primaries, Aug. 25
will be greatly appreciated.

O. L. Smith.

NOTICE.
Having decided not to be a candidate
for prosecuting attorney, I hereby with-
draw my name. I deeply appreciate the
kindness shown me by the people of this
county.

John M. Everden.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT

To Be Held Week of August
17—Officers Elected

W. H. MASON ELECTED PRES'T

Games to be Played on Courts of Pres-
byterian and Catholic Churches

The annual meeting of the Alma
Lawn Tennis Association was held in
the directors' room of the Alma State
Savings Bank Monday evening and
the following officers were elected:
President—Rev. W. H. Mason.
Vice President—Miss Ruth Cook.
Secretary—Elmer Hanna.
Treasurer—H. C. Moore.

A motion was carried to fix the date
for the tournament to begin August
17.
The executive board was made a
committee on trophies and will hold
their meeting Monday evening. A
committee of five was appointed by
the chair to solicit and canvass for
members and all who wish to enter
the tournament or wish to join the as-
sociation please hand their names to
this committee:

Father Mulvey, chairman; Leon
Stinchcomb, Rev. Priest, Miss Ruth
Cook, Miss Mary Sharp.

The awards given this year will be
as good as can be purchased for the
money on hand. The winners of last
year's tournament were Lester Sharp,
Miss Ruth Cook, ladies' singles, also
cup holder.

Baker and Sharp won the men's
doubles and Misses Cook and Sharp
the ladies' doubles.

Miss Cook and Mr. Carey were win-
ners of the mixed doubles.

To keep a cup a member must win
it three years in succession. The run-
ners-up of this year's tournament will
challenge the cup-holders.

The meet will take place on the
Presbyterian court and on Rev. Mul-
vey's court in order to save the public
a long walk to the college court.

Floyd White was a Saginaw visitor
Friday.

SWIFT & COMPANY'S DUCK FARM AT ALMA

Thousands of Ducks Now In the Yards—Eleven Weeks
From Birth They Are Ready for the Market
A Great and Growing Industry

Thirty-five thousand ducks will be
the record for the present season at
Swift and Co., and the prospect of
greatly increasing their output by
better facilities and appliances for
raising the fowl for the coming season
is brightening every day. This enor-
mous number of ducks represents the
activities of this branch of the Swift
and Co. since January first, only;
though at present there are only eigh-
teen thousand on hand at the plant.

The highest number that the firm has
had on hand at any single time was
twenty-two thousand. To appreciate
more fully the significance of these
figures it is necessary to know that
the output for 1913 was but ten
thousand ducks, and since that time
it has been necessary to triple the facili-
ties of the plant.

Several hundred ducks are being
killed daily to supply a brisk market,
while at the other end of the produc-
tion system there are eleven thousand
eggs in incubation. There are two in-
cubation plants, each of which hold
5,500 eggs. They were installed early
in February, and are the best of their
kind on the market, having incorpo-
rated in them all of the latest addi-
tions which scientific skill has contri-
buted.

The brooder house which was but
recently constructed, and which has
within the past year received several
additions in length now measures 550
feet. It is fully equipped with steam
to keep the young ducks warm. The
fattening sheds are not as extensive
as the brooder though they cover a
great deal of space, the one being
118 feet long and the other 188 feet
long and 44 feet wide.

Mr. George Mason, who took charge
of this branch of the Swift and Co.
last September, and in whose hands
is the sole management has pursued a
broad policy of development. With
the view of making the plant more
attractive, as well as supplying shade
for the growing ducks, he has had
planted 200 catalpa trees. Under his
direction all of the time-saving and
labor saving improvements have been
installed, such as an automatic feed
mixer to prepare the four tons of
feed which must daily be prepared for

AMSBURY REUNION.

The Amsbury family celebrated the
Fourth with a re-union at the home
of Fred Amsbury, west of Alma.
Fifteen were present, including the
family of Fred Amsbury, W. I. Ams-
bury, Mrs. A. Amsbury, Mr. and Mrs.
Albert Reynolds, of Alma, Mr. and
Mrs. Seeley Amsbury, Miss Theo
Amsbury, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace
Amsbury, of Elwell, Miss Ruth Keller,
of Standish, and Mrs. Friend Patch,
of Mecosta.

FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE.
To the Electors of Grafton County:
Believing that in accordance with
party usage I am entitled to a re-
nomination for Representative in the
Legislature, I therefore ask the sup-
port of the Republican Electors of
Grafton County at the coming August
Primary, and will fully appreciate
your support.

Yours respectfully,
NEWELL SMITH.

EXPLAINS ITSELF.
I desire to announce that on ac-
count of business and personal rea-
sons, it will be impossible for me to
be a candidate for re-election to the
office of State Senator from the Twen-
ty-Fifth District, composed of Grafton,
Isabella and Mecosta counties. At
this time, however, I wish to thank
my friends for the hearty support they
have always given me.

FRANCIS KING.

FRED A. DIGGINS DEAD

Cadillac Millionaire and Well Known
Lumberman Had Worked for City

Heart disease early Wednesday
morning caused the death of Fred
A. Diggins, one of the best known
lumber men in the state and one of
Cadillac's wealthiest citizens. Mr.
Diggins suffered an attack of heart
failure at 10 o'clock Tuesday night
but rallied. His condition grew more
serious, however, and he died at 2:30
Wednesday morning. Recently he had
been under treatment of specialists in
Chicago, and was believed to be well
on the road to complete recovery. The
death of Mr. Diggins robs Cadillac of
one of its best citizens—a man who
rose from humble beginnings to be a
benefactor of his city.

GLIMPSES OF NATURE

Title of Lecture to be Given
Tuesday Evening

UNDER AUSPICES CIVIC LEAGUE

By Professor Clinton E. Kellogg of
Rochester, N. Y.

The Civic Improvement League
have secured the services of Prof.
Clinton E. Kellogg, of Rochester,
N. Y., for Tuesday evening, August
14th, at which time he will deliver his
lecture "Glimpses of Nature." The
lecture will be illustrated with beau-
tiful colored pictures, and will be
given in the High School auditorium,
commencing at 8 o'clock p.m. A small
admission fee of fifteen cents will be
charged. The following is from the
principal of schools at Rochester,
N. Y., under date of May 18, 1914:—
"Mr. C. E. Kellogg gave an illustrated
lecture, 'Glimpses of Nature,' in the
Horace Mann building on our season's
lecture course this past winter. It
was educational, authentic, concise,
and helpful. The slides were most
beautifully colored, and the audience
was enthusiastic. I heartily recom-
mend Mr. Kellogg's lecture to any one
wishing first hand information told
and shown in a fascinating manner."
Respectfully,
R. H. OUTTERSON,
Principal.

The "Record" is in receipt of sev-
eral testimonials from cities where
this lecture has been given, all of
which speak in the highest terms of
Mr. Kellogg's views and lecture. An
item of interest in connection with
this lecture is the fact that Professor
Kellogg and his wife are both formerly
Grafton county young people. Mrs.
Kellogg having spent her girlhood
days as Miss Dingman in New Haven
township, and Mr. Kellogg his boy-
hood days in Fulton township. Fifteen
years ago Mr. Kellogg had charge of
the Elm Hall schools.

ITHACA DEFEATS ALMA

In Ball Game Last Thursday by a
Score of 2 to 0

Alma lost the prettiest game of
the Hub Season Thursday on their
own grounds. Ithaca came to Alma
to win, and after a hard struggle suc-
ceeded in making one run on a lost
ball and one on Alma's errors, which
runs were enough to land the game.
Rowe, of Ithaca, made a home run in
the seventh by placing the ball to
deep centre and losing it in the
bushes around the fence. Both John-
son and Williams pitched their best
games so far this season. Alma's line-
up was as follows:—E. Johnson p.
Vogt c. R. Phillips 1. Rogers 2. Page
3. Stimson s. Peacock r. Wood
m. Lane l.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 R.H.E.
0 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 2 4 5
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 4 2

ANNOUNCEMENT.

In making this my announcement
as a candidate for the office of Regis-
ter of Deeds on the Republican ticket,
I wish to express my appreciation of
the liberal support accorded me in
1912 for this office, both at the pri-
maries and at the polls.

If I am re-elected I promise to give
to the office the same careful and
painstaking management that I have
given it in the past.

Thanking you in advance for any
favors you may extend to me, I re-
main,

Respectfully yours,
BIRD J. TUCKER.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

I wish to announce to the Republi-
can voters of Grafton county that I am
a candidate for the nomination for
County Treasurer at the Primary Elec-
tion. Your support will be appreciat-
ed.

WILBUR NELSON,
Ithaca, Mich.

OBITUARY.

Frank J. Butler, formerly of Ithaca,
but who has been living in Grand
Rapids for some time, died quite sud-
denly last Thursday, July 2nd. He is
yesterday master at Grand Rapids for the
Pere Marquette, and in the afternoon
complained that he was very cold,
built up a hot fire in the office, and
later said that he would go home.
On the way he fell, got up and started
again, and fell again. Onlookers as-

sisted him to his home, and he did not
regain consciousness and died a few
hours later. The cause of death was
arterio cardiac thrombosis—the arte-
ries of the heart becoming clogged,
preventing circulation. Age was 44
years 7 months 25 days.

Mrs. Butler, formerly Miss Daymon,
of this county, summoned her hus-
band's brothers, Bert, of Grand
Ledge, and Will, of Ithaca, and her
brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Henry
Daymon, who went at once to Grand
Rapids, and assisted her in bringing
the remains to Ithaca Friday evening,
where they were taken to the home of
his father, E. M. Butler. The two
children of the deceased were already
in this county spending their vacation
with relatives, also another brother,
S. M. Butler, of Washington, D.C.

Theron Butler, of Sumner, is a
brother of deceased.

Mr. Butler was the owner of a fine
home in Boyne City, where he once re-
sided, and his wife was conducting a
large rooming house in Grand Rapids.
He left \$1000 insurance to his wife
and \$1000 dollars to be divided be-
tween his son and daughter.

Funeral services were held Sunday
at 2 p.m. at the Advent church in
Ithaca, conducted by the Rev. H. H.
Hicks, of Midland, and interment was
made in Ithaca cemetery. Mrs. Butler
returned to Grand Rapids Wednesday,
and will dispose of her interests there
as soon as possible, as her health will
not permit of her managing such a
large house.

REMINISCENCES OF '72

Only Four Men Of The Ten Who
Composed Alma's First
Council Living

The visit of Dr. Owen Ellison, of
Ironton, Ohio, at the home of his
brother, B. W. Ellison, recalled the
fact that there are only four men liv-
ing of the ten who first composed the
officers of Alma when it was incorpo-
rated as a village forty-two years ago
last January. The first council meet-
ings were held in the building now
occupied by Cook's millinery store.
Dr. Ellison was then engaged in the
drug business located where the Alma
Hotel now stands, and the same store
was partly occupied by B. W. Ellison
for his grocery business. Mr. B. W.
Ellison moved into his present loca-
tion forty-one years ago. The other
members of that council now living
are Geo. G. Holiday, who resides on
Woodworth Avenue with his son-in-
law, Samuel Brewbaker, who is
located at Eugene, Oregon, and Jas. T.
Hall, of Chicago. Alma was the last
of the three big towns of the county
to become incorporated as a village.
St. Louis had sought the honor and
obtained the necessary permit from
the board of supervisors at its session
in October, 1868. Ithaca followed suit
the next year, getting the order from
the supervisors at their session of
October, 1869. Alma was started on
its career as an incorporated village
by resolution of the board of super-
visors at its January session, 1872. A
petition of resident electors was pre-
sented on the first day of the session,
showing that the territory which it
was proposed to incorporate had a
population of 425 people. The matter
was referred to a committee com-
posed of Supervisors Jas. T. Hall, of
Arcada, E. W. Kellogg, of Newark,
and Barney Swope, of Wheeler. The
committee reported favorably, and
the board, by resolution, adopted the
report, and directed that the first
election be held at the school house
in said village on Friday, February 2,
1872. George W. Helt, Thos. Bam-
borough and Almon Yerington were
designated and appointed to act as in-
spectors of election, and the following
officers were elected:—Pres., Ralph
Ely; trustees, Derwin Ely, Wm.
Hannah, Geo. Bahlke, J. M. Montigel Sr.
Owen Ellison, Wm. Carpenter, Clerk,
Geo. G. Holiday; ass'ts., Jas. T. Hall,
Samuel Brewbaker.

Class A—Mile Heats.
Lady Hickok (Hickok).....2 1 4 1
Topsy Cooper (Cooper).....4 4 1 2
Maud Hook (Bissell).....1 3 3 3
Lady McKerron (Colburn).....3 2 2 4
Time—2:33; 2:33 1-2; 2:30; 2:32 1-2.
Lady Hickok received first prize,
Topsy Cooper second and Maud Hook
third.

Class B—Half-Mile Heats.
Meadow Boy (Hyde).....1 2 2 1 1
McSimmons (Cushing).....2 1 1 2 2
Alma Russell (Eckert).....3 3 3 3
Time—1:12 1-2; 1:10 1-2; 1:10;
1:10 1-2; 1:12.

Class C—Mile Heats.
Geo. Robbins (Hyde).....1 1 1 1
Barren Hope (Flowman).....2 2 2
Daisy Online (Eury).....3 3 3 3
Time—2:33 3-4; 2:34 1-2; 2:33.

Class D—Half-Mile Heats.
Strath Heart (Houseman).....1 1 1
Billie Bigelow (Bigelow).....2 2 3
Lady Cruise (Crisis).....3 2 2
Sis Berry (Berry).....4 4 4
Best Time—1:33.

FOURTH AT ST. LOUIS

City Beautifully Decorated
for National Holiday

CROWD ESTIMATED AT 15,000

Fred Hamlin Secretary of Committee
Entitled to Credit for Work Done

The Fourth of July celebration at
St. Louis was varied in its attractions
and drew an immense crowd. Two
ball games, one in the morning and
one in the afternoon, between Ithaca
and Shepherd, furnished amusement
for the baseball fans, fast horse races
in the afternoon satisfied the lovers
of that form of recreation. Acrobatic
stunts and expert rifle shooting en-
tertained the children and a parade of
autos in the morning was interesting
to all. Shepherd defeated Ithaca in
both games of ball, 13 to 3 in the
morning, and 13 to 2 in the afternoon.
Berkhardt pitched both games for
Shepherd, and Ranger pitched four
innings and Sutton the remainder of
the first game for Ithaca. Williams
pitched three and a third innings, Sut-
ton one-third inning and Wiseman the
rest of the second game. Wiseman
played a good game considering the
fact that he pitched an entire game
Friday.

The races were well attended and
the music was furnished by the Alma
band. The best matinee of the season
was pulled off as was expected. The
track was in excellent condition and
the time made was very fast.

Class A—Mile Heats.
Lady Hickok (Hickok).....2 1 4 1
Topsy Cooper (Cooper).....4 4 1 2
Maud Hook (Bissell).....1 3 3 3
Lady McKerron (Colburn).....3 2 2 4
Time—2:33; 2:33 1-2; 2:30; 2:32 1-2.
Lady Hickok received first prize,
Topsy Cooper second and Maud Hook
third.

Class B—Half-Mile Heats.
Meadow Boy (Hyde).....1 2 2 1 1
McSimmons (Cushing).....2 1 1 2 2
Alma Russell (Eckert).....3 3 3 3
Time—1:12 1-2; 1:10 1-2; 1:10;
1:10 1-2; 1:12.

Class C—Mile Heats.
Geo. Robbins (Hyde).....1 1 1 1
Barren Hope (Flowman).....2 2 2
Daisy Online (Eury).....3 3 3 3
Time—2:33 3-4; 2:34 1-2; 2:33.

Class D—Half-Mile Heats.
Strath Heart (Houseman).....1 1 1
Billie Bigelow (Bigelow).....2 2 3
Lady Cruise (Crisis).....3 2 2
Sis Berry (Berry).....4 4 4
Best Time—1:33.

MRS. FRANCIS KING

Honored by State Fair Association—
Sole Judge of Floral Display

Mrs. Francis King has been ap-
pointed as sole judge of the ninth de-
partment of the sixty-first annual
Michigan State Fair, which will be
held in Detroit from September 7th
to the 18th. The department which
Mrs. King will judge is called "Plants
and Flowers," and is subdivided into
three parts, Plants in Pots, Plants in
Boxes and Baskets, and Cut Flowers.
H. H. Dow, of Midland, is the member
of the association in charge of this de-
partment. \$807.00 in cash will be
given as premiums in this department
alone, and range from \$75.00 to \$1.00.
Rare skill and knowledge of flowers
and arrangement is necessary to
judge this exhibit, and for that
reason Mrs. King was chosen. There
are probably only very few persons in
Michigan who would be able to suc-
cessfully handle a flower show as
vast as this one in regards to quality
of flowers and foliage shown, artistic
effect of the exhibit as a whole, the
quality and rarity of material exhib-
ited, and color harmony, etc. Mrs.
King has devoted a good share of her
life to her hobby of flowers, and has
become noted for her educational lec-
tures along this line and for her
garden of untold beauty.

DRAIN COMMISSIONER.

I wish to announce at this time that
I will be a candidate for re-election at
the August primary, for the office of
County Drain Commissioner. I thank
my friends for their support in the
past, and if my record as County
Drain Commissioner meets with your
approval, I shall appreciate your sup-
port in the future.

Yours respectfully,
E. W. REDMAN.